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My Old Umbrella.

Old friend, neglected there you stand,
Behind my closet door.
You've really grown too shabby now
To carry any more.
Around your rusty frame the silk
In faded splendor clougs,
While numerous little genteel darns
To view the sunlight brings,

I need the space you occupy
Within my small domain:
And yet to throw you out, I think,
Would give me mental pain.
Some sad and pleasant memories Encircle your gaunt form.
Outside ofttimes you've sheltered me
From sun as well as storm.

Yes, many a tramp, old friend, we've had In rain and pleasant weather; To weddings gay and funerals sad We've often gone together. And when with merry friends I've climbed The mountains—you as prop Helped me to triumph o'er the rest By gaining first the top.

When in a crowded car I've gone, And could not get a seat,
'Twas your crook'd handle help the strap
And kept me on my feet. But far above your usefulness,

One memory sweet I see,
'Tis this—'neath your protecting shade
My John proposed to me.

The Richest Widow in America. Never has there been such universal church-going in New York as during the present season. I saw a lady in black step out of a handsome mourning carriage in front of St. Thomas' church last Wednesday afternoon, and some one told me that it was Mrs. Moses Taylor, who, with Mrs. W. H. Vanderbilt, shares the honor of being the richest widow in America. She is a member of the Presbyterian church, but is subject to no bigotries and finds pleasure in occasional attendance upon Lenten services in Episcopal churches. Church-going is one of her favorite pursuits at all times, and down at Long Branch she has a private chapel and chaplain of her own, who ministers to her spiritual needs during her summer sojourn. This chapel cost her \$70,000. is attended by a large congregation of the local Presbyterians, and is the center through which she distributes her many beautiful and lavish charities. It was a great surprise to her upon her husband's death, to find herself so rich a woman, for he never talked to her about his business, and though she knew he was a wealthy man, she had formed no calculation as to the amount he was worth; no one, indeed, not even his executors, had credited old Taylor with more than half a dozen millions at the most, and

large enough to hold certificates of stock and the like securities without front, while her companion did deadly folding. There was a great stack of these papers lying neatly on top of each other, unwrinkled and uncreased. They represented Taylor's investments in railroads, banks and insurance companies, deeds of real estate and every sort of sound financial venture. The widow did not comprehend the full meaning of this great pite of documents, but the executors looked at each other with pleased significance, and set about making an inventory. jotting down figures on the back of a eard, and announcing in awed tones to the widow, when this pleasing task was done, that she was the sole possessor of a fortune amounting to \$40,000, .00. She bore it with that meek and gentle resignation of which even the worst of us would be capable under similar circumstances, and many unfortunates have since had reason to be grateful that this great sum fell into such discreet and charitable hands. spoiled. Mrs. Vanderbilt is also a faithful church-goer, having pews in several different churches, one of her favorite mer gowns. It is a soft, thin silk, and places of worship being old Trinity. -Mrs. Mary Drenkhahn.

What a Lady Does Not Do. There are several things always absent in a true lady, which girls will dozen. Notwithstanding their cheapdo well to notice and remember.

nore little kindnesses.

Conclude in a crowd that she has a right to push her way through. Consume the time of people who

can ill spare it. only fitted to the house or carriage. Talk loudly in public places.

Wear a torn glove, when a needle and threat and a few stitches would make it all right. Fail in answering letters or return-

ing visits, unless she is ill or in trouble. Fret about the heat or the cold, the

sun, or the rain, the air, or the lack Make an engagement and then not

be on time. Comptain of her family, or discuss personal affairs with strangers. Always believe the worst rather

than the best side of a story. A lady does not do any other than

believes in the golden rule, and endeavors, as far as possible, to live up to it; and that's what you and I ought to promise every morning that we will try and do during the day.

The Country Girl.

A country girl always has an idea that the advantages of the city girl are not hers—that she suffers from a lack of something-she doesn't exactly know what. She is convinced that the girl in the city avails herself of every opportunity to look at fine pictures, read choice books and cultivate her mind. Now, when she generalizes in this way she is simply showing herself to be narrow and ignorant. The girls in the country to-day can get exactly the same papers and books that come to the girl in the city. Her thinking hours are longer, and very often she sees more of real, sweet home life. She is apt to learn that most beautiful industry, how to be a good house-wife, and over the breadpan or churn she can think as great thoughts as she would over the elaborate fancy work or in the picture gallery. She can study flowers as they grow; she can breathe the good, pure air of heaven, which makes a healthy body-and that usually means a healthy soul-and she can learn whatever she wishes. Intellectually, she can control herself, and she may know, in books at least, the best trained and finest minds of the century. Here, there is no danger of her learning to speak slang. Among these people virtues are respected and vices are condemned, and she is thrown into society which she will never regret and which will always be a credit to

Two Women Kill a Bear. Roderick McDonald, who lives in one of the remote parts of a settlement at Molus river, Maine, was absent from home a few nights ago, having left his wife and sister as the sole defenders of his household. Just at dusk the women, who were busy about their household duties, were suddenly attracted by a beliowing among the cattle in the barnvard.

Without the slightest hesitation the women armed themselves with the only weapons on hand-an ax and a pitchfork-and sallied forth. Only a few steps had been traversed before they saw an enormous black bear that stood aggressively awaiting them. At either side of him lay an ox, which had fallen under his heavy blows, while the rest of the cattle were huddled closely in one corner of the yard, bellowing piteously in their fright. Mrs. McDonald, excited at the sight of the dead animals, rushed at the bear with a pitchfork, thrusting it deep into his neck. A roar of mingled rage and pain followed, and, with a sweep the surprise of the latter was great of his paw, he struck the weapon from on the appointed day, when they and her hands. The other woman struck the widow went to open the doors of at the bear with the ax, disabling one the particularly solid vault which the of his forward legs. Mrs. McDonald old man had built into the wall of his ran for her pitchfork, recovered it, and the plucky women then went at bruin The innermost compartment was hammer and tongs. Mrs. McDonald wounded him with the pitchfork in execution with the ax from behind. The battle was short and sharp, and the bear was dead in a few moments. He was very large and old. The women had their clothes badly torn, but beyond a few scratches and the fright, suffered no injury.

The Fashions.

Cream foulards draped with chiffon and blush-pink silk with embroidered crepe panels and aprons make a lovely toilet, but are not intended for uncertain weather. The sunshades covered with chiffon frills look lovely and soft on a hot day, and the trimming heaped on makes the shade perfect. But a single shower is enough to shorten the life of these beautiful parasols. Ladies at the regimental camps take refuge from a sudden storm under the trees. but the drops penetrate the foliage and the elegant toilet is utterly

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colors are worn with bicycling suits. Striped flannels make a simple dress for the country. The skirt is of four breadths, straight, gathered to a belt. The waist is of the same material. It fits in the back like a basque, and fails loose in front. The skirt has no foundation skirt and is hemmed.

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